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SUBJECT: FONSEC RABASA COMMENTS ON MEXICAN FOREIGN POLICY

1. AS LUNCHEON GUEST AUG 21 OF THE MEXICAN FOREIGN DIPLOMATS' ASSOCIATION, FOREIGN SECRETARY RABASA FIELDDED SEVERAL QUESTIONS ON MEXICAN FOREIGN POLICY.

2. ASKED BY A SWEDISH DIPLOMAT ABOUT THE PRESENT STATUS OF THE "NEW DIALOGUE" WITH THE UNITED STATES, RABASA GAVE A LENGTHY ACCOUNT OF THE BACKGROUND LEADING TO THE TWO MEETINGS OF FOREIGN MINISTERS, STRESSING THE ROLE WHICH HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER HAD PLAYED. ALTHOUGH HE CITED THE TWO WORKING GROUPS AS TANGIBLE RESULTS, RABASA FELT THE "SPIRIT OF TLATELOLCO" TO BE THE PRINCIPAL ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THE TWO MEETINGS AND HE DESCRIBED IT IN WARM, FAVORABLE TERMS. HE ALSO CITED AS AN ACHIEVEMENT, ON THE LATIN SIDE, THE FACT THAT ONE COUNTRY HAD ACTED AS SPOKESMAN FOR THE LATINOS ON EACH AGENDA TOPIC.

3. RABASA DEVOTED MUCH OF HIS ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION TO THE WASHINGTON MEETING'S HANDLING OF THE CUBAN ISSUE AND MEXICO'S ROLE IN THOSE DISCUSSIONS AND PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

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4. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION ON ECHEVERRIA'S RECENT SOUTH AMERICAN TRIP, RABASA EMPHASIZED ECHEVERRIA'S BELIEF IN THE NECESSITY OF LATIN AMERICAN "INTEGRATION", BUT SAID THAT, GIVEN THE POLITICAL DISPARITIES IN THE HEMISPHERE, THE BASIS FOR INTEGRATION EXISTED ONLY IN THE ECONOMIC, COMMERCIAL, CULTURAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL FIELDS. THUS ECHEVERRIA HAD PROPOSED AN "ECONOMIC FORUM" AND THE CREATION OF MULTINATIONAL ENTERPRISES.

5. TO A QUESTION ABOUT MEXICO'S "NEW DIALOGUE" WITH CHILE, RABASA COMMENTED BRIEFLY ON HIS TRIP TO SANTIAGO, HIS SUCCESS IN SECURING SAFE CONDUCT PASSES FOR CHILEAN ASYLEES AND FAILURE TO OBTAIN THE RELEASE OF FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER ALMEYDA. HE AVOIDED FURTHER COMMENT ON THIS QUESTION BY DIGRESSING AT LENGTH ON TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS.

6. COMMENT: RABASA'S REPLIES CONTAINED LITTLE NEW, BUT HIS DESCRIPTION OF THE "NEW DIALOGUE" WAS FAVORABLE IN TONE AND SHOWED CONTINUED CONFIDENCE IN ITS USEFULNESS. THE EMPHASIS HE GAVE TO THE CUBAN QUESTION SEEMED AN ATTEMPT TO BALANCE THE POSITIVE TREATMENT OF THE MFMS AND POSSIBLY REFLECTED HIS AWARENESS OF A LARGE CUBAN PRESENCE IN THE AUDIENCE. HIS COMMENTS ON ECHEVERRIA'S SOUTH AMERICAN TRIP APPEARED TO BE A CANDID ADMISSION OF THE POLITICAL DIFFERENCES AMONG THE LATINS AND POSSIBLY REFLECTED AN UNENTHUSIASTIC REACTION TO MEXICAN AMBITIONS AS A REGIONAL LEADER. HIS SIDESTEPPING THE CHILEAN QUESTION INDICATED A CONTINUING PERSONAL SENSITIVITY TO CRITICISM OF HIS SANTIAGO TRIP AND HIS PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA'S PUBLIC DISAVOWAL OF A COMMITMENT HE MADE ON FERTILIZER SALES. JOVA

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